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(近衛公)

一九四二年四月十四日 東京

閣下、一七九号

一九四二年一月二九日、日本空軍ニヨル支那民明、  
爆害時現地米國領事館が非常ナル危険ニサ  
ラサレタ事ニ関スル私、外務大臣ニ對スル通知書  
(一九四二年二月四日、一七三ノ号)参照且又米人ノ生命  
財産ハ四月八日、民明ニ於テ日本軍飛行機ニ依ル  
凶暴無差別爆害ニ依リ再び危険ニ晒サレタ  
事ヲ閣下ニ申上ゲ度

民明米國領事、言ニ依リ此一時ニ於テ三人、  
子供ヲ含ム七名、米國市民ガ支那奥地ニシテ  
ニ居住シ居リ爆害ヤ火災ニ依リ破壊ヲ蒙リテ  
脱シタ。同時ニ同シシヨニ近接セル領事館  
米市民書記、家ハ震動ヲ蒙リ、ガラス、壊サレ  
漆喰タイル、落チ電燈器具ハ破壊サレタ。

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